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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

- 1. (Currently amended) A boat propeller safety enclosure, comprising:
- (A) a cover having a first side having a shape and a second side having an opening having an adjustable size, and having a second opening for drainage;
- (B) an hard circularly shaped insert panel within said cover, adjacent to said first side serving to create said first side as flat and defining said shape of said first side as a circular shaped first side;
- (C) a cinch region on said second side of said cover, said cinch region defining said size of said opening.
- 2. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as recited in claim 1, wherein said cover is made from a material selected from the group consisting of canvas, nylon, vinyl, denim and plastic.
- 3. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as recited in claim 1, further comprising a reflective device on said first side of said cover.
- 4. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as recited in claim 1, further comprising a brightly colored device on said first side of said cover.
- 5. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as recited in claim 1, wherein said insert panel is composed of a material selected from the group consisting of plastic, Plexiglas, rubber and metal.
- 6. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as recited in claim 1, wherein cinch region further comprises:
 - (1) a loop of fabric;
 - (2) an opening for access to the interior of said loop of fabric;

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- (3) a tying device, generally within said loop of fabric and having a first end and a second end extending out of said opening; and
- (4) a releasable lock device fitted to said first end and said second end of said tying device.
- 7. (Currently amended) A boat propeller safety enclosure, comprising:
 - a generally bag shaped cover having an opening and comprising a mesh material and having a cinch region defining said opening, and wherein said bag shaped cover is sized and shaped, by the insertion within said bag shaped cover of a hard circularly shaped panel insert, adjacent to a first side of said cover, said hard circularly shaped panel insert forcing said first side to be flat and to adopt the general circular shape of a propeller when installed and cinched tightly about the propeller.
- 8. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as recited in claim 7, wherein said mesh material is a brightly colored nylon mesh.
- 9. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as recited in claim 7, wherein said mesh material has a reflective region.
- 10. (Original) A boat propeller safety enclosure, as reciting in claim 7, wherein said cinch region further comprises:
 - (1) a loop of fabric;
 - (2) an opening for access to the interior of said loop of fabric;
 - (3) a tying device, generally within said loop of fabric and having a first end and a second end extending out of said opening; and
 - (4) a releasable lock device fitted to said first end and said second end of said tying device.